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1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT.)

- 2. WARSAW CITY SURVEY: THE CAPITAL CITY IS VERY GUIET ON THIS SUNDAY MORNING. TRAMS AND BUSES ARE OPERATING ON THE USUAL REDUCED WEEKEND SCHEDULE AND IN OUR EARLY MORNING SURVEY (0530-0600) FEW PEOPLE WERE WAITING AT THE STOPS. THERE APPEARS TO BE A REDUCED SECURITY FORCES PRESENCE IN THE AREA. ALTHOUGH A THREE-SOLDIER PATROL WAS WALKING DOWN UJAZDOWSKIE AVENUE ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE CHANCERY AT 0930. THE POLICE GUARD IS STILL AROUND THE MISSION ALTHOUGH THEY ARE STAYING INSIDE THEIR KIDSKS AND ONLY COMING OUT TO MAKE PEOPLE CROSS THE STREET AWAY FROM THE MISSION ENTRANCES. IT IS STILLE SNOWING AND THREE INCHES HAVE NOW ACCUMULATED ON THE GROUND AS A RESULT OF THE OVERNIGHT PERCIPITATION. THE SKIES ARE OVERCAST AND THE TEMPERATURES ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN THE MINUS ONE TO MINUS TWO DEGREES (C) RANGE.
- 3. CHURCH OFFICIAL SAID WROCLAW REPORTS "EXAGGERATED": A SENIOR CATHOLIC CHURCH OFFICIAL TOLD A GROUP OF CATHOLIC LAYMEN ON DEC 26 THAT THE REPORTS OF ESPECIALLY BRUTAL TREATMENT OF PRISONERS IN WRDCLAW WERE MEXAGGERATEDM. THE ANSWER CAME IN SPECIFIC RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM A CONCERNED POLE DURING A MEETING OF THE GROUP OF PERSONS WHICH IS ORGANIZING RELIEF EFFORTS FOR THE DETAINEES.
- 4. REDUCED GUARD PRESENCE NEAR MINISTRY OF INTERIOR/ARMY GENERAL STAFF BUILDINGS: EMBOFFS ON MORNING SURVEY (0530-0600) COVERED BOTH ENDS OF RAKOWIECKA STREET VIA NIEPODLEGLOSCI AND PULAWSKA AVENUES. THESE CORNERS LEADING TO THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND ARMY GENERAL STAFF BUILDINGS HAD ONLY TWO SOLDIERS AT ONE INTERSECTION AND NONE AT THE OTHER.

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THIS IS THE LIGHTEST SECURITY COVERAGE WE HAVE OBSERVED IN THAT SENSITIVE AREA. REGARDLESS OF THE HOUR. OTHER DOWNTOWN INTERSECTIONS WHICH FORMERLY HAD AT LEAST SEVERAL POLICY/MILITARY GUARDS WERE ALSO LIGHTLY COVERED (E.G. ONE POLICEMAN OBSERVED SITTING IN A CAR, ONE MAN IN A VAN).

5. ZIEMOWIT COLLIERY QUIET BUT PIAST MINE STILL STRIKING: POLISH EVENING NEWS ON DEC 27 REPORTED THAT EVERYTHING WAS QUIET AT THE ZIEMOWIT COAL MINE. OVER 1,000 MINERS, HOWEVER, ARE STILL UNDER-GROUND IN THEIR CONTINUING PROTEST OVER MARTIAL LAW AT THE PIAST MINE.

6. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. MEEHAN

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